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Dear [REDACTED]

The Consulate General at [REDACTED] has requested the Department to provide a small portable radio transmitter capable of contacting a U.S. Government communications base in the Pacific area. This transmitter can be employed only to render emergency communication,

[REDACTED]

Since the Central Intelligence Agency is already establishing a radio network to furnish certain other Foreign Service posts in Southeast Asia with emergency communications, it appears that the inclusion of [REDACTED] in the same network would best serve the Consulate General's emergency requirement. I should like to request, therefore, that you consider whether it is possible for this station to be included in the Southeast Asia network. In this connection, arrangements have been worked out with [REDACTED] on the basis that the equipment should be sent as soon as possible but that the operator will be made available only upon receipt of a further request from the Consulate General when the need for his services becomes more urgent. The Department does not feel it is necessary to send an operator there at present, particularly in view of the fact that [REDACTED] has frequent air service and an operator can be sent in on relatively short notice.

It is understood that your communications division is familiar with this requirement and has indicated that equipment similar to that sent to [REDACTED] could be made available.

I should

[REDACTED]
Assistant Director,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington, D.C.

State Dept. review completed

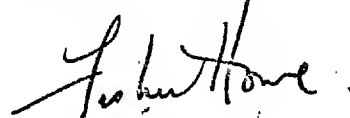
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I should also like to take this opportunity to extend the Department's sincere appreciation of the cooperative and fast service rendered by the CIA communications personnel in establishing a voice radionet

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[redacted] performed an unusually efficient service and deserves the Department's commendation.

Sincerely yours,



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